LATE NEWS BY WIRE.

Explosion on the German Ironclad Brandenburg.

NEARLY FIFTY MEN REPORTED KILLED

A Large Number Injured by the Disaster.

AID SENT TO THE SUFFERING

KIEL, Germany, Feb. 16.—A terrible dis-ranging his business affairs at Gravesend ster occurred here today, owing to the exaster occurred here today, owing to the explosion of a steam pipe on board the German ironclad Brandenburg. Full details are not yet obtainable, but many members of the crew are said to have been killed, a the large number are reported wounded and many are missing.

The accident occurred during the morn-

The warship was undergoing a forced draught trial at the time of the explosion. So far as can be learned forty-six men were killed and a large number were injured by the bursting of the steam pipe. Four steamers have been dispatched with doctors and medical supplies to the assistance of the Brandenburg.

A Later Report. KIEL, Feb. 16.—Later.—It is now an-nounced that forty-six men were killed and charges of aiding and abetting the inspec-KIEL, Feb. 16 .- Later .- It is now anonly nine wounded by the bursting of a tors or others in defeating Mr. Gaynor's It was at first thought that the number of lists. nded was much greater.

WANTS HIS REWARD.

Mrs. Binkovitz Promised Risburg \$200 to Marry Her Daughter.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 16 .- A suit in vices say that the iron steamer Alert, while attachment for breach of contract has been on her voyage from Port Albert to Melfiled in a local court, which, if won upon bourne, recently sank during a terrible gale the allegations of the petition, will establish and of the fifteen men aboard but one mana valuable precedent for millionaire moth- aged to reach land and tell the story of the ers-in-law who have princes on their hands. disaster. When the Alert left Port Albert The present sult is a humble little one to she had a crew of twelve men all told, berecover \$200, which the plaintiff agreed to sides two passengers in the saloon. When pay defendant if he married her daughter.
The plaintiff is Mrs. Sarah Binkovitz, and erly gale was blowing with hundred erly gale was blowing with hurricane viothe defendant is Henry Risburg. Mrs. Bin-kovitz alleges that in December last she lence. An enormous green sea broke on board, and as the steamer rolled the sea filled the decks flush with the rails, carrypromised to pay Risburg \$200 if he married ing off everything movable, and passed down the hatches and skylights in the ves-

her daughter, but to protect herself from possible fraud, she deposited the money with a stakeholder, named B. B. Toffe. Risburg carried out his part of the contract, but Mrs. Binkovitz now maintains that Risburg has deserted his wife and failed to support her. She therefore prays the court to order the stakeholder to return the money she deposited with him. Risburg has retained an attorney and will fight the case.

TRIED TO PREVENT THE WAR.

Death of Robert N. Gourdin, One of Charleston's Oldest Residents.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 16.-Robert N. Gourdin died here this morning. He was one of the oldest citizens of Charleston and a member of the firm of Gourdin. Mathison & Co., for many years one of the leading business establishments of Charleston. He was a member of the secession convention of South Carolina in 1860 and signed the ordinance of secession. He went to Washington in 1800 at the urgent solicitation of Major Robert Ander-son, the commander of Fort Sumter, to what could be done to compose the erences between the north and south, but failed in his mission. He was lieutenant colonel of a regiment stationed in Charleston for home defense and was always active in his support of the southern confederacy. He was president for many years of the corporation of the French years of the corporation of the Huguenot Churen of Charleston.

ADY WARS ON MARTIN. Says That the Senator From Kansas Will Be Unsented.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 16.-J. W. Ady, who is contesting the seat of Senator Martin. said today that the latter would be unseated and that this would be the report of the elections committee early in March. Mr. Ady will go to Washington early next month, but, of course, he does not expect to Sheridan counties ask for contributions of get the seat if Senator Martin is unseated. coal from charitable people, but more Mr. Ady says he has the information direct from a member of the elections committee that the report on Mr. Martin's case

on the grounds that Mr. Martin did not re-ceive the requisite number of votes in the The Rock Island has offered to carry all joint convention, as required by the Consti- supplies free. Mr. Ady's interest in pursuing Martin is OBSTRUCTED BY OVERHEAD WIRES. a personal one. He is a candidate for Sen ator, and he thinks that if he could con-tribute to get Martin out it would give him a little prestige in his race this year. Few persons believe that there is any likelihood of the Senate unseating Mr. Martin, and the republicans are not taking any interest in Ady's fight. They feel that if Mr. Mar-tin is not entitled to the seat no one is,

nd that he should be allowed to fill out

will be unfavorable and that it will be based

What Senator Martin Says.

Senator Martin this afternoon emphatically denied that there is any possibility way and rapidly spread to the entire five that the committee on privileges and elections will render a report in his case adverse to him. He said: "There is not a word of truth in the story that comes from Kansas. It is one of the great many uncon- ance, \$25,000. my state about me. There is no truth or foundation whatever for the statement. The Senate committee on privileges and elections has not held a meeting for time, owing to the absence of Chairman Vance, who is ill in the south. There is no certainty as to the date of his return.

AN OLD-TIME PRINTER DEAD.

Edward James Passes Away at Chieago After a Short Ilineas.

ley above Albany in 1826. He entered the printing business in 1843 as an apprentice and from 1850 to 1858 was superintendent for Van Benthuysen & Co., state printers printing house in the state. Coming to Chicago in 1860 he formed a partnership with Sterling P. Rounds in the state of the with Sterling P. Rounds in the printing business and at the same time became the western agent for the Johnson type four lry. The firm was in existence some eight or ten years, Mr. James retiring and start-

ing in business for himself. Mr. James was a heavy loser by the fire in September, 1870, which destroyed the paper house of J. W. Butler & Co., on Wabash avenue, in which Mr. James had his establishment, and thereafter he never

engaged in business for himself.

After the great fire Mr. James was employed by the J. W. Butler Co. Subsewent to New York in the emloy in the house of Saroni, Major & Co. Collins & Co., printing ink manufacturers. Returning to Chicago in 1879 he entered the employment of Marder Luse & Co., with whom he remained until his death.

SAVING THE KEARSARGE.

It is Believed That There is Little

COLON, Panama, Feb. 16.-The authoritles at Washington have been in communication with Admiral Stanton, recently in command of the wrecked cruiser Kear- 94 in number, of the value of \$840. sarge, as to the possibility of saving the hull of that historical craft.

339 in number, of the value of \$339. 7—Gold coins from the mint at New Or-lears, 128 in number, of the value of \$736. It is understood here that Admiral Stanton and the officers of the Kearsarge have 8-Silver coins from the mint at New Orleans, 3,423 in number, of the value of expressed the opinion that there is little or no chance of ever floating the Kearsarge \$1.010.

A Duel Fatal to Both.

BAINBRIDGE, Ga., Feb. 16.-From Colquitt county comes news of a double tragedy. Frank Bird, an employe of a Mr. Brice, while burning over a tract of land dent of the United States assay office at was assaulted by John Cooper, who also Boise has completed a statement of the isdiction over a case of discipline, written Both parties are highly connected, Stephclaimed the land.

NO CELL FOR MCKANE.

and terminer to receive sentence.

he obliged to attend to the le property and collecting rents.

WRECK OF THE ALERT.

teen Were Drowned.

The fires in the engine room were put out

When day was breaking he touched

Sandy Bottom, staggered a few steps up the beach and fell unconscious, remember-

ing nothing more until he saw his rescuers

Sydney by the French mail steamship Ville de la Cirotat, from Noumea, on Jan-

uary 19, and brought news of the loss of their vessel. The Eillan Donan, while in the act of going about when off Chester-

field Reef, about a mile northward of Long

Island, went ashore and was broken up.
Another outrage has been committed by

the natives upon a trading vessel off Coast Pentecost. The natives are stated to have

attacked the schooner Petrel at or near the spot where George Lifou was killed a few months ago. They put off to the Petrel, boarded her and tomahawked several mem-

SUFFERING IN KANSAS.

Scarcity of Coal in the Western Part

of the State.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 16.-Further ad-

from the railroads for supplies of fuel

those same counties come appeals for seed

They Prevent Detroit Firemen From

Working Effectively.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 16.-Flames were

discovered this morning issuing from the

partment was seriously delayed in getting to work and the flames gained great head-

stories. At 8 o'clock the fire was under

The drug firm estimate their loss on stock

at \$140,000, which is insured for about \$120,000. Loss on building, \$30,000; insur-

WHITEFACED HORSE CONFESSES.

kota for Murder.

ity nursed him back to life. He professed religion, and confessed his share in the

Cogley arrested him at Standing Rock, and

COUNTING THE COINS.

Philadelphia Mint.

ance as to weight and fitness.

and Burchard, was as follows:

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 16.-The

1-Gold coins from the mint of Philadel-

2-Silver coins from the mint at Philadel-

-Gold coins from the mint at San

Francisco, 1,364 in number, of the value

4-Silver coins from the mint at San

Francisco, 2,794 in number, of the value of \$541.60.

5-Gold coins from the mint at Carson,

6-Silver coins from the mint at Carson.

In all 19,000 coins, of an aggregate value

of \$61,964.75. The committee then ad-

Idaho's Metal Output for 1893.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 16.-The superinten-

7,555 in number, of the value of

phia, 3,790 in number, of the value of \$33,

of Bennett, Kelley, Boyce and Last week United States Marshal

from 600 to 800 feet in height.

at once and all hands were scarcely on deck before one sea after another broke over the

He is Accommodated in the Keeper's

Quarters. BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 16 .- John Y. Mc-Kane continues in the custody of Sheriff The Current of Comment at the Cap-Butling at Raymond street jail, whence he will be taken Monday to the court of oyer

No one, of course, except perhaps Judge The trial has already cost McKane a small fortune, and some think it would be better for him to dismiss his lawyers and submit to the imprisonment which he may be obliged to serve in the end in case the

The Effect May Be to Reopen the Entire Question.

itol today.

THE DOLE LETTER

the court of appeals confirms the judgment of the court of oper and terminer.

It was said at the jail this morning that he rested quietly, and one of the keepers admitted that he slept not in a cell, but in the keeper's quarters upstairs. He stated that McKane declined to see any representatives of the press THE MCCREARY RESOLUTION

sentatives of the press.

He will spend most of his time in ar-The reply of Mr. Dole to Mr. Willis' demand for specifications in explanation of term in prison those whom he delegates can carry it on. He is an extensive prop-erty owner in Coney Island and his agents the former letters of Mr. Dole has excited considerable comment at the Capitol today. The general impression is that Mr. Willis caught a tartar and by his disingenuous McKane's counsel will use every effort to prevent him from going to Sing Sing, but some of his intimate friends who would hardly believe that he could be convicted are beginning to lose hope and would not be greatly surprised if he was demand for specifications as to the general statements in the original Dole letter he enabled Mr. Dole to state specifically things which he could not in his first reply have stated without running the risk of appearing to designedly be offensive.

refused a new trial or even a stay of pro-ceedings pending the appeal of his case in the court of appeals. From the first Mr. Willis' demand for Some who appeared to be particularly anxious for his prosecution seem to regret his conviction now it is over, and the expression is heard on every side, "Poor Mc-Kane, I am really sorry for him." specifications in support of statements which are of common understanding has been regarded as an attempt to buily the provisional government.

Other persons express much satisfaction at the verdict. No one feels worse over it, of course, than McKane himself, and he The reply of Mr. Dole is accepted as sufficient evidence that that gentleman is not one who can be bullied, and the overwhelming arraignment carried in it is generally regarded as very damaging to the position taken by Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Willis. The letter amounts simply to a brief, presenting completely and in unanswerable terms the position of the provisional government.

It Sank in a Terrific Gale and Four-As one of the members of the foreign re lations committee of the Senate said today, SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16.-Sydney adthis letter is more damaging to the administration than have been any of the speeches made in Congress on the subject, stating

the case better. Mr. Cleveland's motive in withholding the letter is believed to be fully explained in the character of the letter itself when published, but it is regarded as remarkable that the administration should have thought a moment that it was possible to keep letter in confinement and out of the reach of the public. The attempt is on a par with the withholding of the dispatch from Willis which disclosed the bloodthirsty character of Liliuokalani and equally ineffectual. President Dole's letter may lead to re-

opening the entire question in the House. Representative Hitt, the republican head of the foreign affairs committee, is considering the advisability of proposing a rehearing in view of the Dole letter and the developments of the Senate investigation. Mr. Burrows suggested that such a move would be in the steamer, burying her to the gunwale. Then she suddenly went from under their feet and all were left struggling in the waves. Ponting, the cook, managed to get hold of a cabin door and clung to it all through the night. nature of a motion for a new trial based on the discovery of new evidence.

Mr. Hitt regards the Dole letter as a very forcible presentation of the subject and he thinks it should have been in the hands of members before they were asked to pass on the McCreary resolution. It can hardly prove effective now, unless Mr. Hitt

concludes to urge the rescinding of the McCreary resolution. Mr. McCreary, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, around him near Schanck Light.
Capt. McDonald, his officers and the crew
of the brigantine Eillan Donan arrived in "It is Doleful. I have not read it through It is too long. I think the House and the public are entitled to a rest on this Hawalian affair after we gave five days to it

and passed a resolution defining our policy

of allowing Hawaii to manage her own af-

THERE IS STILL SUFFERING.

The Applicants Who Apply for Food and for Rent Money.

bers of the crew.

The ship Jesse Redman is ashore at Chatham Islands, and the steamer Tenterden is stuck on a reef at MacDonnell bay.

Floes of one to two miles in extent have reports from the police, from the central relief committee and from others aware of the true condition of affairs show that the cold and rain and snow of the past several days have increased the distress usual extent. Many homes are unprotected by fuel from the piercing cold, and many mouths are crying for food. One of the saddest facts connected with 'he prevailing distress is that many people are hungry and without fuel today that never knew such distress before.

vices have been received from western Kansas showing that the suffering from All the morning the office of Chief Clerk want of coal is not confined to Lane coun-Sylvester, at police headquarters, was crowded by applicants for relief. No less than forty persons begged for a few dol-lars with which to pay their rent, and Letters from Gove, Logan, Greeley and thereby keep a roof over their heads. Un-fortunately, the only way the police have of supplying such wants is when som which the people and local authorities proposed to obtain in some way. From on to relieve particularly distressing cases. Then, when it is possible, a few dollars is given the unfortunate ones to pay rent. But little, if any, assistance in that line could given by Mr. Sylvester today, for the

were exhausted. Relief Committee Hendquarters. At the office of the central relief commit-

tee it was stated today that the supply of provisions was exhausted, while the demand third story of the wholesale drug house of tive than ever before. A fair supply of Farrand, Williams & Clark, Nos. 32 and 34 clothing was on hand, but Miss Loring of Woodward avenue. Owing to huge snow- the committee stated to a Star reporter drifts in the street and the large number | that it would soon be exhausted. Miss Lorthe fire de- ing explained that while most of those in want now applied to the several police precincts and to the Associated Charities, she felt sure that the suffering had greatly increased during the past few days.

The good people of the District, she said tions, by any means. Money, provisions. fuel and clothing would be most acceptable, and she hoped The Star would let the people of the District know that there was yet urgent demands for assistance.

Speaking of the extent of the suffering among the poor here, a gentleman today OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 16.—Information has reached here from South Dakota to the reporter: "I am told that no contributions effect that Whitefaced Horse, the Sioux the Moody and Sankey meetings. Why no buck who was implicated in the murder of ask them to contribute toward relieving the four white men on White river near Pine distress among the poor by passing Ridge agency, last winter, will be arraigncollection plate at every meeting? I be-lieve those attending would gladly coned before Commissioner Hoover at Gettys- lieve those CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Edward James, known to nearly every old-time printer in the country, died last night at his home in this city after a brief illness.

Mr. James was born in the Mohawk valued before Commissioner Hoover at Gettysburg, S. D., this afternoon.

Whitefaced Horse, who arrested Two Sticks and his boys at Nowaters Camp, was severely wounded, and was in a dying condition when he reached the agency at Standing Rock. There the Sisters of Charles and Charles are the Standing Rock. There the Sisters of Charles are those attending would gladly contribute. The collections might not be large, but they would be something, and every little country.

A Good Way to Help the Needy.

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

This morning at 9 o'clock I went to the

This morning at 9 o'clock I went to the wood yard of the Central Union Mission. Nearly all the space was filled with sawed and split wood, ready for delivery at regular market rates. Thirty or forty respectable men were waiting their turn to get a few hours' work. Very little work, however, could be given, as the space for th storage of the wood was about exhausted.

ployment could be given to many need and deserving men. A. W. PITZER. A Suggestion.

If the wood now in stock was sold em-

assay commission met in the cabinet of the To the Editor of The Evening Star: mint today, and received the report of the I beg leave to suggest that now you have committees on counting, assaying and started a fund for the relief of the poor of The number of coins counted, assayed would set aside a day when an admission perienced service in every part of and weighed by the three committees, as of 10 cents be charged the proceeds to be globe. He returned home in June, and weighed by the three committees, as of 10 cents be charged, the proceeds to be reported by Chairman Quarles, Winston devoted to the relief of the sufferers in our midst. This is practical Christianity. Let us look to the misery of the living and it will help us to take our chances for the sal

on of our souls hereafter. It was He said: "The poor ye have always with "Feed my lambs." CHRISTIANITY.

Limiting the Power to Strike BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Feb. 16,-Na tional Grand Lodge, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, transacted a large amount business yesterday. The constitution and by-laws were entirely remodeled and the disability clause was abolished. No strike can be ordered unless two-thirds of the men employed upon the road involved are in favor of it.

The Faculty Comes Out Ahead. AMHERST, Mass., Feb. 16.-The war beween the faculty and the students' senate elopement has occurred at Melton, this the last letter concerning the disputed jur-

BRECKINRIDGE-POLLARD CASE. Attorneys for Miss Pollard Ask That a

Day for Trial Be Set.

In Circuit Court, Division 1, Justice Bradley, this morning the case of Miss Madeline Pollard against Representative Breckinridge of Kentucky, for breach of promise, was before the court. Mr. Calderon Car-No one, of course, except perhaps Judge
Bartlett, knows what sentence he will receive.

The trial has already cost McKane a

BAD SHOWING FOR MR. WILLIS, the plaintiff, stated that they had nearly from the other side that they intended to ask for a postponement, and the plaintiff, now asked that a day be fixed for the trial now asked that a day be fixed for the trial now asked that a day be stronger and the plaintiff. and would resist any postponement. It was stated by Mr. Phil Thompson and Mr. W. A. McKenney, who, with Mr. Totten, are the counsel for Mr. Breckinridge, that they proposed to ask for a delay, partly on account of Mr. Totten's sickness. Justice Bradley said that they could come

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

Janitors and Minor Repairs The first auditor of the treasury has called the attention of the Commissioners to certain vouchers for taking up and fix- and currency today in support of his bill ing seats in the public schools. He says it to remove the tax from the circulation of is provided that all minor repairs to buildings and furniture shall be done by the janitors, and he asks an explanation in reference to the disbursements, as the schools were not in session, and it would appear that the janitors had plenty of time to perform the work.

Fire Alarm for Eckington. The Commissioners have been urged to extend the fire alarm service to Eckington and West Eckington, and attention is called to petitions from the residents and property owners in those suburbs submitted about year ago urging this improvement. The extension of the new water mains seems to the department of \$150.000. require every facility for combating fire, and it is urged that provision for fire alarm be made at once.

DENIES VIOLATION OF LAW.

Immigrants Who Worked in Wanamaker's Store.

Immigration Inspector Wahle yesterday took to Ellis Island, on suspicion of being contract laborers, William Timmins, a lace weaver; Bridget Gallagher, a lace spinner; Owen Curran, wood carver, and Hugh Feny, weaver.

Timmins, acting as spokesman, said they had all come from Minnaduff, county Donegal, Ireland, to Philadelphia, under contract. They arrived at Philadelphia on December 8, and at Philadelphia were met by a Mr. Whitten, acting for Mrs. Ernst Hart, and put them at work in Mrs. Hart's lace department in the Wanamaker building.

Their work was of the exhibition order and continued until a week ago, when they were informed that they must return to

Robert C. Ogden, partner of Mr. Wanamaker, says his firm had nothing to do with bringing the four Irish lace makers weavers; that they were brought by Mrs. Hart, and that space was given her Wanamaker store as an act of courtesy that she might show the practical results of the work of her pupils from the Donegal Industrial School. Mrs. Hart confirms this statement.

AS TO AUTHORTY.

To Loan Ships to the States for the Naval Reserve. One of the troublesome questions before

the Navy Department is in regard to the loaning of old and abandoned naval vessels to the states for the use of the naval reserve. Applications of this kind have been received from the states of Pennsylvania. California and Washington, and notice has been given of similar applications from other states. Assistant Secretary McAdoo, who has charge of this matter, says he will not act on any of the applications until he hears from Congress on the subject. He has sub mitted a bill to the Senate naval commit tee authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to loan to states vessels unsuited to the general service.

In a recent interview on this subject Mr McAdoo said: "I have come to the conclusion, after examination, that there is no authority for the placing of these ships under state control, even for the purposes specified, while, on the other hand, the department is exceedingly desirous to do so if it could be assured of its power in the prem-

"The sh'ps to be loaned would in no wise impair the efficiency of the navy, and, indeed, in some cases are those so completely over the dead line as to repairs that w would not think, unless in the greates emergencies, of fitting them for commis-sion, and they can, therefore, without the slightest impairment of our force, and, in-deed, with the greatest possible advantage in the way of building up a naval reserve and meeting the requirements of the thous ands of volunteer sailors all over the coun try, be placed for the time being at the disof the states requesting them. "If the desired authority is accorded, th

department will detail four or five enlisted of the regular navy as shipkeepers This force will be additional to the number allowed by law, and the detail will be re garded as a reward, preference being give to men who have served twenty years or more in the navy. We find from experience that it will be necessary for the govern ment, in the case of ships temporarily ment, in the case of ships temporarily loaned to states for the use of the nava militia, that there be on board some one representing the department, so as to see

that proper care is taken of the property. Representative Wilson Proceeds. Representative W. L. Wilson of West

Virginia, Mrs. Wilson, Bessie Wilson, Representative John C. Tarsney and Mrs. Tarsshould not, therefore, cease their contribu-tions, by any means. Money, provisions. In 10:05 o'clock last night for El Paso, They occupied a Pullman car, which was placed at their disposal by the Santa Fe railroad When they reach El Paso, President Rob-inson's private Mexican Central car will ready to carry them to the City of

War Department Changes. John T. Eiker of Pennsylvania, promoted

from clerk \$1,400 to \$1,600,office chief of engineers; Thaddeus S. Clark of the District of Columbia, promoted from clerk \$1,200 chief of engineers; Allison Au \$1.480, effice chief of engineers; Allison Au-bright of New Mexico, promoted from clerk \$1,000 to clerk \$1,200, office chief of engi-neers; Lawrence Y. Spann of Mississippi ciass \$1,000, record and pension office, re-signed to accept appointment in Post Office Department.

Lieuts. W. P.Day, W. C. Cowles and M. F. Hall will all be detached from the Machine Lieut, M. E. Hall and Fusigns T. C. Fen Schofield have been detache from the Machias and ordered to the Ma Lieut. W. P. Day from the Machias and ordered to temporary duty on the receiving

Death of Ensige Hawk.

Ensign Frederick Hawk of the navy weighing. The reports showed that all the our city, and as Messrs. Moody and Sankey died on Sanlay at Southern Pines, N. C. coins tested were within the limit of toler- are drawing great crowds to their meetings. Mr. Hawk came from Freeport, Pa. He it would be a good idea if these gentlemen graduated from Annapolis in 1886 and exafter a severe illness. He was stationed married Miss Mollie Townsend of Wast ington. They went to Southern Pines, N C., where he and his wife remained unti-his death. Mr. Hawk was only twenty eight years old.

Ex-Representative A. Herr Smith Dend.

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 16.-Ex-Congress man A. Herr Smith died this morning from now assembled in Washington has criticisa complication of diseases, aged seventy-Forty-fourth, Forty-fifth, Forty-sixth, For-He was also a member of the state legisla ture in 1844-45, and of the senate in 1846 and 1848.

A Sensational Elopement. PITTSFIELD, Ill., Feb. 16 .- A sensational

has ended, so far as open hostilities are county. The principals were the Rev. J. oncerned, and the former have shown Gilman Stephenson, pastor of the Christhat they are the real power in the col-lege. At a meeting of the senate last night nine, and Miss Dove Heavener, aged twen s assailled by John Cooper, who also isdiction over a case of discipline, written by the faculty, was formally presented, but the faculty statement that it considers the case closed forestalled any further action on the part of the senate.

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CAPITOL TOPICS

Brief Mention of Many Matters Considered by Committees.

MR. CUMMINGS' POPULAR BOND BILL

Harbor Committee.

FAVORABLE REPORTS.

dressed the House committee on banking state banks, but no action was taken upon A bill by Representative Cooper of Indiana to place a 10 per cent tax on the notes of national banks has been submitted to a subcommittee, Representatives Warner, Hall

The Military Academy Bill. The appropriation bill for the Military Academy at West Point was reported to the House today from the committee on military affairs. It carries \$400,438.58 a reduction from the estimates submitted by

structor there until four years after his graduation, but the bill will reduce the interval to two years.

The West Point authorities asked that serve as instructors immediately after graduation, but the committee thought it ad-visable to require a term of active service

in the army with the experience gained

academy can be detailed to service as in-

Confirmations.

The Senate in executive session this afternoor made the following confirmations: Washington C. Graybill, receiver of public moneys at Chamberlain, S. D.

Postmasters-Dallas E. Laird, at Redwood Falls, Minn.; Richard V. Dodge, at San Diego, Cal.; Alphonzo Leeroy, at La Grande, Oreg.; C. W. Boyer, at Martins-burg, W. Va.; Wm. M. C. Hill, at Dallas, Tex.; Z. A. McReynolds, at Palestine, Tex. Venttiation of the House.

The ventilation and sanitary condition of the hall of the House is being investigated by the committee on ventilation and acoustics. Yesterday Prof. Wilson of Philadelphia appeared before the committee, and with the Shaw system of testing the presence of gases and bad air demonstrated to the committee that a practical test could be made of the condition of the air in the hall of the House, and it could thus be ascertained whether the present system ventilation is adequate or faulty. He was directed to proceed with a test, and within the next few days expects to complete it and make a report upon the sub ject. In the meantime Expert Adams from the supervising architect's office is examining the plans of a new system proposed by Mr. Gouge, and is looking over the system

More River and Harbor Hearings. Gov. McCorkle of West Virginia made an argument to the House committee on rivers and harbors today in favor of the Alderson bill to prevent the pollution of navigable waters by dumping refuse or washing mineral cres in them. It is claimed that the processes by which the iron ores of West Virginia are washed destroy steam boilers and infuse a mineral element into the water which makes it unfit for laundry or other domestic purposes. Representative Brickner of Wisconsin

sked the committee for improvements in the Sheboygan harbor. Representative Paynter of Kentucky spoke for the Big Sandy river. Representative Somers of Wisconsin spoke for Milwaukee harbor, and Coosa river.

Senator Peffer introduced by request to

lay a bill permitting the publishers of refrom or other periodicals to send them through the mails upon the prepayment of 1 cent per pound in the sack, and 2 cents

New York and New Jersey Bridge Bill. The House committee on interstate and foreign commerce took no action on the New York and New Jersey bridge bill at its meeting today. It has been decided to call the bill up next Wednesday, when the committee will probably vote on it without listening to any more statements.

Interchangeable 1,000 Mile Tickets At the meeting of the House committee on interstate commerce this morning Mr Rayner's bill to amend the interstate commerce law so as to permit the issuance of ,000 mile tickets interchangeable on all ravelers was discussed. Mr. Maliory of Florida was finally appointed a committee of one to consider the matter in all its aspects and report at a subsequent meeting. The sentiment of the committee seemed

unfavorable to the measure. Appropriation Rills

Chairman Sayers of the House committee on appropriations expects to take up the fortification bill as soon as the pending silver seigniorage bill is disposed of. The pension, sundry civil and District of Coumbia bills will follow in order named, with some intervening legislation. The debate on fortification is expected to brief, as the amount involved is compar-

atively small-about \$5,000,000-and is a macrial decrease from last year. The pension appropriation bill is expected to serve as the text for one of the most spirited debates of the session, as it will e taken as a basis for a general di of the pension policy of the administration. Representative Grout and other republican members of the pension appropriation subcommittee are preparing data for this de-

Cummings' Popular Bond Bill Representative Cummings of New York

will endeavor to have his bill for an issue of small-denomination bonds considered as a substitute for the pending Bland sliver substitute for the pending Bland sliver seignlorage bill. There is some doubt as to the bond bill being germane as an amendment or substitute to the coinage bill, so that it could not be considered bill, so District States 4s, registered, 1907, 114 bid, 114%, asked, United States 4s, District Columnia Bonds, Columnia

fine of \$1,000 or two years' imprisonment, or both, for any person to contrive or propose a lottery, to sell lottery tickets or deposit them in the mails within the jurisdiction of the United States, or so that they may be brought into the United States. The same penalty is provided for the publishing of the lottery advertisements.

The Secretary of the Treasury has sent to Congress a letter from the Secretary of State urging the necessity of providing contingent expenses of foreign missions.

Friends of the woman's suffrage cause will be given another chance to present their cause to the judiciary committee of the House. The convention of suffragists ed sharply the action of the committee an lisapproving the resolution introduced by amendment forbidding political discriminations because of sex. Today the committee decided to ask the

House to recommit the resolution and if the request is complied with will give an audience next week to Susan B. Anthony and other leading lights of the movement The committee also has under consideration a bill by Representative Bryan of Nebraska to increase the penalties for embezzlement of the funds of national banks

and to grade the punishment in proportion

to the amount taken. Mr. Bryan spoke in

advocacy of his bill today.

LIVED ON THE FLATS

Judge Kimball, in the Police Court this

And Foraged in the Neighborhood for Bread and Milk.

terprising business carried on by residents of the Potomac flats, when he sent Messrs. James Robinson and Harry Whitaker, two prominent residents of that rendezvous of tramps, to the work house for sixty days. Storekeepers in the neighborhood of the ANOTHER ADVANCE IN SUGAR TRUST More Hearings by the River and Long bridge and residents near there have for several weeks past been considerably annoyed by the loss of their morning bread and milk. The police believed that the tramps who infest the flats across the bridge are responsible for the losses re-ported almost daily, and yesterday they arrested the two men. Judge Kimball told them that they were clearly worthless va-grants, and intimated that milk and bread would be safer after they were locked up.

He therefore decided that breaking stone

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS. during the next sixty days would be more in their line than the breaking of bread boxes and milk jars.

IMPUDENT STREET BEGGAR.

Sent to the Work House for Using Threats to Get Money.

Charlie Ross unexpectedly turned up in the Police Court this morning, being charged with vagrancy. Last evening Mr. Ross and a companion braced a gentleman on 14th street above H. Their tale of woe failed to cause the desired dime to appear, and thereupon Charlie and his friend informed the party that they would "do" him unless he parted with the wished-for coin. They followed their prey until the latter espied an officer, when they made their adieu. The gentleman naturally complained to the officer, and he succeeded in capturing Charlle. Mr. Ross declared to Judge Kimball that Under the present law no graduate of the he was a friend of Senator Wolcott, the lat-ter having promised to secure him a posi-tion under the District government. He

admitted that he and his friend, whose name he did not know, met the party who complained to the officer, but that he made no threats.
"Not satisfied with begging, you were threatening people, eh?" inquired the court.
"The next thing you fellows will be doing no threats. will be knocking people down on the public streets. This street begging will have to stop. I will give you a place, Mr. Ross. You can go to the work house for sixty

Mission Work in France.

Rev. Mr. Grieg, who is at the head of the cAll mission in France, spoke last evening at the mid-week prayer meeting of the Calvary Baptist Church. The ladies of the Washington McAll Auxiliary will give him a reception this evening at the Church of the Covenant. He will deliver an address on the work in France.

National Bank Tax.

In the Court of Appeals today the cases of the Twin City National Bank against ex-United States Treasurer Nebeker and the Lumberman's National Bank against ex-United States Treasurer Huston were argued, the point involved in each case being that the act taxing national banks is unconstitutional, for the reason that the act, a measure for revenue, originated in the Senate instead of in the House of Repre-sentatives. The court reserved its decision.

A Newspaper Thief Caught.

For some time the people in the neighorhood of 4th and 5th and A and B northeast have suffered the loss of their newspapers, the papers being stolen from their doorsteps by some unknown rascal. Recently Special Officer W. G. Kendig, on duty in that neighborhood, came to the conclusion that Isaac Chapman, a young negro, was the guilty party, and a few days ago he caught the fellow with a handful of newspapers which he had just stolen from the houses in the neighborhood leaves days ago. in the neighborhood. Isaac denied the charge in the Police Court this morning, but Judge Miller sent him to jail for twenty

the clerk of the court to the following: Jas. W. Smith and Willie Snyder: Irving Hughes and Ella F. Talmage.

Wm. Woody's Will.

The will of the late Wm. Woody has bee filed, by which he leaves his brother and three sisters \$50 each and the balance of his estate to his wife, who he names, with M. A. Dugan, to execute his wishes.

THE COURTS. Probate Court-Justice Hagner.

Today—Estate of Wm. Woody; will filed, with petition and order of publication. Estate of Robert Paddon; will admitted to probate and letters testamentary to Geo for letters filed. In re Raymond T. Miles; Frank H. Miles appointed guardian; bond \$3,000. Estate of George C. Bollinger; letters of administration to C. G. B Darlington, bond \$2,200. In re Ellen Donelly: Washington Loan and Trust Company appointed guardian. Estate of Annie C. Magee; will admitted to probate, and letters testamentary to W. H. Sholes, bond \$800. Estate of Leon T. Jones; letters of admin-istration, with will annexed, to G. W. Wise, bond \$500. Estate of Henry C. May; will admitted to probate, and letters issued to Phebe M. and H. A. May; bond \$500. Escordia Runner, bond \$200. Estate of F. Selina Buchanan; ordered for commission. Estate of B. U. Keyser; return of proofs. Estate of John Culbert; will admitted to probate and letters granted George A. Mason; bond, \$300. Estate of Susan E. \$1,000. In re Adelaide L. Patrick SarahA. VanDerlip appointed guardian; bond, \$6,000. Estate of Elizabeth J. Evans; petition for letters filed. Estate of Wm. King; issues for trial by jury. Estate of John Dunn; will admitted to probate and letters

issued to Catherine M. Dunn; bond, \$1.200. Equity Court, Division 1-Justice Cox. Today-Low agt. Nat. Bur. of News, &c.; service of restraining order made operative. Elelin agt. Lyon; witness Adrians ordered to testify. Southwell agt. Southwell; appearance ordered. Coon agt. Atkinson; sale finally confirmed. Wolf agt. Gully; do., and

Washington Stock Exchange.

ment or substitute to the coinage bill, so that it could not be considered without Mr. Aland's consent, which will not be given.

Should Mr. Cummings fall to have his bond measure heard in this way he will push it as an independent bill. He has arranged for an early hearing on it before the ways and means committee, to whom it was referred.

Against Lotteries.

Senator Hoar introduced a bill in the Senate yesterday for the suppression of lotteries. It defines the word lottery, which is made to embrace raffles and gift enterprises.

The bill makes it a felony panishable by a fine of \$1,000 or two years' imprisonment, of lotteries and suppression of st. 100 bid. Washington Gas. Company 6. 125 asked. Washingto of \$1.000 or two years' imprisonment, or a for any person to contrive or propose thery, to seil lottery tickets or deposit a in the mails within the jurisdiction he United States, or so that they may brought into the United States. The penalty is provided for the publish-of the iterry advertisements.

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

morning, struck a decisive blow at an en- Bears in Burlington Suffered for Their Distrust.

This Stock Influenced Entirely by Washington Advices.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, Feb. 16.-Prices were in

regular at the opening of today's stock market and the sentiment of the room bearish. London was dull and traded moderately in our market without influencing prices. Chicago houses sold the Grangers on a further decline in wheat and the probable decrease in Burlington's dividend rate. The latter presumption proved expensive later in the day, when the announcement of the regular 1 1-4 per cent was made and the bears in the property driven to cover. After opening at 74 1-8 the price fell off to 73 3-4, and subsequently rallied to 75 1-2 under the demand from shorts. The advisability of continuing the old rate is a mooted point in financial circles, as the affairs of the company in the opinion of many do not warrant it, even though the present disbursement comes legitimately out of the earnings of the last quarter.
The next dividend, however, is sufficiently
uncertain to justify stockholders in liquidating present holdings and investing the dating present notatings and investigation of the proceeds in other securities whose dividends are less speculative.

Outside of the bond market securities of the bond market securities

the latter class are not abundant and can be had only at fancy prices, so that this new prospectus of the bears may be as defective in reality as many that have

gone before.

Eugar held remarkably well considering yesterday's liquidation and gained 1 per cent on considerable activity to 795-8. The action of this stock is influenced almost entirely by Washington advices and the price is easily affected by the character of these reports. While considerable of the pool's long stock changed hands on yesterday's raid the old-time interests are yesterday's raid the old-time interests are still in control and may, after their usual fashion, make the shorts in the property pay dearly for the privilege of making deliveries.

St. Paul gained 11-4 per cent on covering and Rock island for the same reason regimed 11-8. gained 11-8 per cent.
The improvement made after midday

was due entirely to the efforts of the room to buy back stock sold earlier in the week and does not reflect any expansion in speculation or increased demand from interests outside of Wall street.

The figures representing the actual changes in the cash holdings of the associated benks for the present week are of ciated banks for the present week are of little importance as a forecast of tomor-row's bank statement because of the pay-ments made for the new-5 per cent bonds. Many private institutions, savings banks and indivuals have made payments into the subtreasury which cannot with any degree of certainty be separated from similar payments made by the banks. Estimates for the month, however, show that the banks have grained about \$2.550 and the banks have gained about \$2,550,000 from the interior and their loss through

The clearing house statement today shows exchanges \$78,717,807, balances \$5,579,96; and the subtreasury's debit balance \$663,-

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Marriage Licenses.

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Marriage licenses have been issued by the clerk of the court to the court of the

sooner or later will be the cause of considerable nervousness to the bears, but beyoud this and the general narro speculation there is little in the situati to encourage the deposed bulls.

Break in the Wheat Market. NEW YORK, Feb. 16.-The wheat market opened steady, but soon broke under heavy liquidation and local selling. May declined to 63c. This is the lowest record, heating yesterday's low price by 3-16. The market reacted later, and a steadier feeling pre-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. The following are the opening, the highest and the lowest and the closing prices of the New York stock market today, as reported by Corson Macartney, members New York stock exchan Correspondents Messrs. Moore & Schley, No

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Louisville and Nashville. National Lead Co. 29% National Cordage Co. National Cordage pfd. New Jersey Central. New York Central 98 N. Y. and New England. N. Y., C. and St. Louis... Northern Pacific. Northern Pacific, pfd...

Ont, and Western. 18%

Experts say the ore found near Brazil,